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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Temperature averages ranged from about 5 degrees below normal in the east to about 5 degrees above normal in the west. Morning temperatures on the 5th were the lowest of the season at many eastern communities. Rains occurred in the east on the 1st and 2nd. Totals were generally less than 1/4 inch. The week began with fair skies and low humidity. Thursday and Friday were windy; and humidity was high during the final days of the period.

October temperatures were a little above normal. Precipitation totals were near normal.

CROPS Row crop harvest continued to make rapid progress last week under favorable weather conditions. By November 3, around 45 percent of the corn was harvested, 10 percent more than a year earlier but near the usual amount for this date. Moisture content of the grain was down to 19 percent, 2 points less than a week ago. Milo combining made good strides and had reached the three-quarter mark. Dry, warm weather reduced the moisture content of the grain to 14 percent, 1 point less than a week earlier. Farmers were getting the crop out of the field as quickly as possible while good weather prevailed. Commercial and local farm storage facilities were being taxed by the record high sorghum grain production. In the eastern districts, milo was being piled on the ground at shipping points. A shortage of rail cars to move the grain added to the problem.

Combining of soybeans was nearing completion with about 90 percent of the crop harvested. Sugar beet lifting was in the final stages with sugar content running higher than expected earlier. Safflower harvest was nearly finished.

Winter grains continued in good condition. Wheat has made exceptional growth and many fields are being grazed by livestock. Warm weather has been favorable for the development of leaf rust which is unusually heavy in most areas of the State. A few counties report an infestation of Hessian fly.

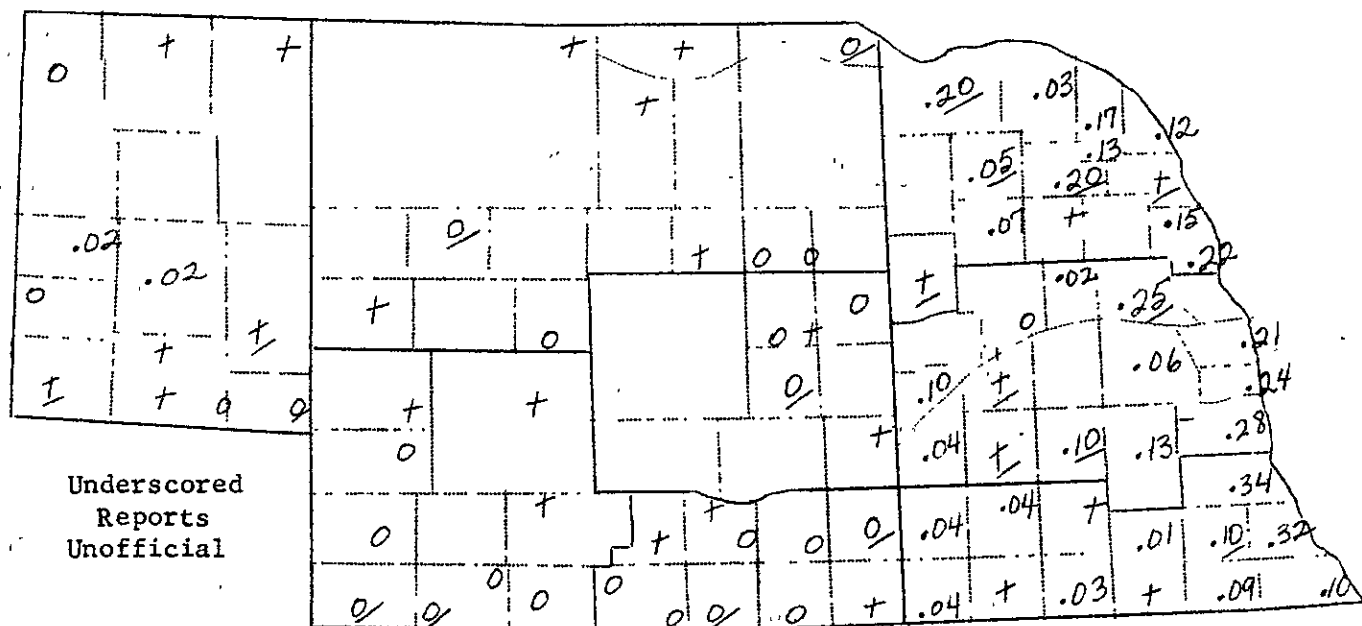
Ranges and pastures are still in very good condition and have an ample supply of forage. Supplies of hay and other roughage are adequate to abundant. Topsoil moisture supplies are becoming depleted in most western and some central counties. Rains are needed to keep the grass from becoming brittle.

LIVESTOCK Cattle and calves are being moved into harvested corn and milo fields to pick up fallen grains. Marketings of stocker and feeder cattle and calves have passed the seasonal peak.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 5, 1962

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	T	Burwell	0	Chadron	T
Lincoln	.12	North Platte	T	Imperial	0
Norfolk	.07	Valentine	T	Scottsbluff	.02
Omaha	.22			Sidney	0
Sioux City	.12				

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 2, 1962



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		October				November											
		30th		31st		1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th			
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min		
NW	Chadron	74	35	71	28	70	41	48	27	46	28	62	29	42	27		
	Scottsbluff	72	39	68	34	66	41	54	34	52	30	61	33	45	28		
	Sidney	71	42	67	29	67	41	53	29	50	27	61	35	52	30		
NC	Burwell	74	38	60	22	63	39	46	36	43	24	54	30	44	--		
	Valentine	70	40	59	22	63	44	51	35	43	27	58	33	42	25		
NE	Norfolk	68	45	58	25	58	41	45	39	40	36	47	38	43	17		
	Sioux City	66	43	59	29	51	40	45	40	43	37	44	35	44	23		
CEN	Grand Island	65	41	59	24	57	37	47	38	42	33	46	31	44	16		
EC	Lincoln	63	45	60	33	55	42	46	40	44	38	45	36	43	23		
	Omaha	61	44	61	34	53	41	44	40	43	37	41	34	41	23		
SW	Imperial	72	42	68	28	72	41	53	27	47	32	63	34	53	22		
	North Platte	73	37	64	24	69	42	50	28	45	26	59	27	49	24		

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